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Serial No.: 09/600,363

**Examiner: Bernard Lipman**

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# For: **PROCESS FOR INCREASING THE MELT STRENGTH OF POLYPROPYLENE**

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## Mail Stop Petition

Commissioner for Patents

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## **PETITION TO REVIVE UNDER 35 USC 1.137(b)**

Applicants hereby petition for revival of this application unintentionally abandoned for failure to pay the required Issue Fee within the statutory period. The entire delay in paying the Issue Fee, from the due date of the Issue Fee until the filing of a grantable Petition was unintentional.

A Notice Of Allowance And Fee(s) Due on this patent application was mailed June 3, 2003, with a due date for the Issue Fee of September 3, 2003. A copy of the Notice Of Allowance is attached as Exhibit 1. A Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under CFR §1.114 and Amendment was filed in answer to the Notice Of Allowance. A copy of the RCE, Amendment and postcard is attached as Exhibit 2. The USPTO stamp on the card is September 4, 2003. However, page 4 of the Amendment contains a Certificate of Mailing dated September 2, 2003.

Applicants cannot determine from the PTO-1432 form received whether the application was determined to be abandoned because the RCE and Amendment was not timely received or whether insufficient funds were available in Applicants' Deposit Account No. 08-2336, to pay

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the RCE fee. For the purposes of this Petition, Applicants have assumed that the application was abandoned for lack of funds in the Deposit Account. If upon review of the file by the Office it is determined that the application was abandoned due only to late receipt of the RCE, Applicants respectfully request that the Office alternately treat this Response as a Petition To Withdraw Holding Of Abandonment Under 37 CFR 1.181(a), and consider Applicants' Exhibits 1 and 2.

Upon grant of this Petition, the Office is earnestly requested to enter the Amendment to the specification included with the RCE and issue a new Notice Of Allowance.

Please charge to Deposit Account No. 08-2336 the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(m) for this Petition, and the RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e), previously authorized by Applicants on September 2, 2003. For this reason, this Petition is submitted in duplicate. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 08-2336.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with sufficient postage thereon with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22323-1450 on October 31, 2003.

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